BIG WAR PROFITS IN PHILA. DENIED

Grocers' Secretary and Banker Answer Treasury Department

CHARGE CALLED UNFAIR

Food Dealers Make Less Than Ever, Says Schoch-Nicholson Defends Bankers

Reno School, secretary of the Retail Grocers' Association of Philadelphia, which has a membership of nearly 1800, today asserted that it is unfair for the Treasury Department to draw a blanket ndictment against American business

The Treasury Department's report, said Schoch, 'makes the assertion that food dealers are making as high as 500 per cent. To say that that charge apper cent. To say that that charge apper cent. To say that that charge applies to Philadelphia would be absurd. It must be borne in mind that the Federal food administrators in this city are very active and for months have been checking up on the profits of food dealers.

"Now the grocers are up against it, for the cost of labor in the last five years has more than doubled, while the cost of foodstuffs has increased 67 per cent. It is impossible for the grocers to increase retail prices to an extent that will en-able them to make the profits that ac-crued to them in normal times.

Agents Limit Profit

"Agents of the food commission are on the job continually and limiting profits. In the central section of the city, where operating expenses are very high, the food administration permits the grocers to make a gross profit that in some instances reaches 25 per cent. But the average cash grocer, who is doing business at a fairly nominal operating expense, is held down to 15, 18 and 20 'As it costs the average grocer from

15 to 18 per cent to do business, one can see that, after operating expenses have been deducted from the gross profits allowed by the food administration, that there is but little left. In a word, the corner grocer is up against a tough proposition and longs for the war's end and a return to normal prices.

Treasury Department does not so into detail concerning its report, on var profiteering, but I am certain that its charge that banks are making as high as 100 per cent does not apply to Philadelphia," said William R. Nicholrange that 31,000 corporations are

profiteering. "Banks in Philadelphin," added Mr Nicholson, "are in a healthy condition, but their profits are not and have not been abnormal. If what the Treasury Department says in regard to excessive bank profits is true, it probably refers to New York institutions. The kind of banking that permits such huge profits is not done by the local bankers.

"Our profits have been normal, but not excessive, and I don't know of a banking institution in the city that can be placed in the Treasury Department's

Garment Manufacturers Irate

The charge made by the Treasury Department that garment manufacturers are reaping war profits that in many instances reach 700 per cent roused the ire of Philadelphia manufacturers. They regard the statement as unfair, and as-sert that the publication of the charge in such an indefinite form places the entire industry in a wrong light with the

David Kirschbaum, one of the largest manufacturers of clothing in the coun-try, declined to discuss the report to-day. "It is a serious charge," said the manufacturer; "In fact so serious that I shall not talk for publication until I have had a better opportunity to study

Doctor King Puzzled

Dr. Clyde L. King, of the Federal food administration, who has supervision over dairies in eastern Pennsylvania, failed to understand how it was possible for to understand how it was possible for the dairymen to garner huge profits. "In 1917," said Doctor King, "the con-densers of milk made big profits, but in my opinion they were the only men con-tomy opinion they were the only men con-

nected with the industry who shared abnormal profits. Investigation will prove that the country dairyman is not making a great deal of money and it is certain that the Philadelphia milk distributors are not profits. distributors are not profiteering.

Four More Ships

Continued from Page One Pan-American Petroleum Transportation

mpany. The tanker was named in honor of E.

L. Doheny III, Non of the sponsor and grandson of E. L. Doheny of Los Angeles, al., president of the Pan-American Petroleus Communications of the Pan-American Petroleum Company.
Only officials and employes of the

New York Shipbuilding orporation and officials of the Petroleum Transportation Company attended the launching. The launching party consisted of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Doheny, Mrs. E. L. Doheny, JJr., Mrs. W. M. Smith, of Pasadena, al., and Paul Harwood and Dr. Norman Aug. 17.—By a brilliant maneuver the Bridge, vice presidents of the petroleum French have finally captured "Z" wood

The launching was successful and the erowd cheered as the ship took to the tracts the Germans have been holding out had predicted, toward dawn, water. The tanker is 485 feet in length, has a beam of sixty-two feet and will has a beam of sixty-two feet and will draw twenty-two feet. Its maximum will be cleven knots.

Seek Person to Give Blood to

A hard-working man of forty-five years, suffering with anemia, is seriously ill at the hospital and a blood transfusion operation only will save his life, seconding to the physicians who are attending him. Only men of good health need apply, as no others will be accented.

health need apply, as no others we accepted.
Volunteers are urged by the hospital authorities to report for a blood test.
Blood transfusion operations have saved many lives within the last few years, and the physicians at the Northwestern Hospital are confident that another will be added to the list if some other will be added to the list if some other will be added to the list if some transfer of the physicians will volunteer the contract of the list of the red-corpuscied Philadelphian will volun

HIGH MARK FOR LIBERTY BONDS

SOLDIER HEROES



C. BRAWLEY,



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H. R KLUTH ... Killed



Roye's Outer Works Captured by French

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fects of the bombs dropped. A great deal of traffic has been reported passing over the Aisne bridges, and the French heavy guns in an attempt to destroy as

An American bombing squadron commanded by Lieutenant Gundelach dropped twenty bombs on the railway

yards at Conflans Thursday. Eighteen Leave Ways Here of the tracks in the east portion of the yard and two on the roundhouse. squadron was pursued by eleven enemy six of which were speedily left One of the remaining five was hit by the American machine-gun fire and forced to descend near Joinville

"Z" AND DAMERY WOOD CAPTURED BY BRITISH

and Damery wood. In these two wooded

ASK TRANSFUSION VOLUNTEERS to observe closely a wide stretch of ground. The Allied position for several miles on each side of the woods has been materially improved by their capbeen materially improved by their cap-

part with some of his blood that a life of a workingman may be saved and his family snatched from despondency, is wanted at the Northwestern General Hospital, 2019 North Twenty-second street.

It is learned from prisoners recently captured that the British artillery during the last few days has caused considdestruction within the enemy erable destruction within the enemy lines. The British guns have been es-pecially active in searching out German ammunition dumps and a number of them have been destroyed. It was par-tially for doing just this work that such speed was made in the forward move-ment of the guns. From the start of the effensive not a moment has been lost moving up the artillery.

BOARDS TO NAME REGISTRARS

Registration Aug. 24 Expected to Be Fourth of June 5

THREE SOLDIER DEAD ADDED TO PHILADELPHIA'S HERO LIST

Continued from Page One casualty list, containing ninety names, ncludes the following:

WOUNDED IN ACTION Lieutenant Walter Flechter, 426 East

Nearby Casualties

Private D. E. Bell, Bristol, Pa., counded severely. Private Benny J. Sandlow, 1238 Me-

Sketches of the Heroes

Private William C. Kluth, killed in action, was only nineteen years old when he enlisted in the old Third Regiment.

Kluth's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Richard. Kluth, live at 1640 North Redfield street. In his last letter, received only a few days ago. Kluth said, "If any one wants to know how I like army life tell them I would not take a million dollars for my twenty-five months of service

Missing Man's Mother Widow

Meade and later at Camp Hancock, and went to France in May of this year. He was twenty-two years old. His younger brother, Abe Atlas, was drafted in July last, leaving Mrs. Atlas, who is a widow. alone in the world

She has never received a cent of Harry's pay nor a cent of the Government allowance, she said, and, in fact, has forwarded money to Harry whenever she had been able to earn any. On Monday of this week she sent him a money order for \$2 and Tuesday received word that he was missing.

france, passed an examination. He list death reveals that the first di

After graduating from school, young Crabtree borrowed money from his father and bought a mica mine in Virginia, supervised its operation and disposed of his product to talking machine three. posed of his product to talking machine manufacturers. He made good, and in three years had paid back the money he owed his father, had nearly \$3000 in bonk and owned a \$2500 motorcar and \$400 worth of Liberty Bonds.

Before leaving for Camp Meade he told his mother that if anything happened to him, to give his automobile to the Red Cross. The last letter received from him, a week ago, told of the German attempt to cross the Marne on July 11 and 12.

push was coming on those nights," he wrote, "and we were prepared. I am sitting in a front line trench as I write this, with the shells sailing over my head at the rate of about fifty to a hundred a minute. Our platoon is right up against the river and in the forefront of everything. There is a wonderful French battery right behind our line sending messages of death to the boche. We watch the shells go over and wonder how many Fritzes they will account for.

how many Fritzes they will account for.
"I had a narrow escape a few
minutes ago while coming up the road
here. I heard the whiz of a shell and
threw myself flat The shell exploded
near us, making a hole about five by
five, and six feet deep. We are getting
used to such things now, and are not
worrying so much since we have met
Frenchmen who have been in the war
from the bounding and are still unfrom the beginning, and are still un-wounded. We figure everybody has a

would get by. They meant to drop it at the given hour tonight and come ing over on top of us.

"This is some game, believe me, folks.
I would not have missed it for anything.
Well, I must break off now and get
ready for the fireworks that will come toward dawn.

toward dawn.

His company gave a fine account of itself in the attack that came, as he had predicted, toward dawn. Whether tracts the Germans have been holding out desperately for several days.

The little patches of forest are on the extreme right of the British line and from their eastern borders it is possible to observe closely a wide stretch of ground. The Allied position for several miles on each side of the woods has been materially improved by their capture.

It has been learned that since August 8 the Germans have employed

rookies to help hit up the vas a barber.

Corporal George W. Laird, Company
L. 110th Infantry, was killed when the
American forces pushed across the
Vesle River on July 30. He was twen-Vegle River on July 39. He was twen-ty-one years old and was a chemist, in the employ of the Atlantic Refining Company, before he enlisted last Sep-tember. He was a graduate of the Cen-tral High School, Temple University and Desyel Institute. The last latter re-Draxel Institute. The last letter re-19, and told of having been under fire hile leading a scouting party through

Private Jumes C. Brawley died on July 15, the day on which the Americans and the French started their victorious

This information was contained in an official notification received yesterday by his mother, Mrs. William J. Brawley. his mother, Mrs. William J. Brawley. He was twenty-seven years old, was drafted on October 5, 1917, and was a member of Company B. 103d United States Engineers. Before entering the service the young man was a chauffeur in the employ of the Commercial Ex-change.

HIGH MARK FOR LIBERTY BONDS

First Issue Goes Half Point

Above Par

By the United Press

New Yerk, Aug. 17.—A record-breaking high for Liberty Bonds. 3½ per
cent issue, was made on the New York
("rock Exchange today. They went to 106.80.

Mort of the activity was in these

the motortruck service, but he abso-

lutely refused, saying:
"No, by heaven, mother, I will shoulder a gun and sheet a beche, for a boche killed my brother!" Lieutenant Walter Feichter was wounded July 16, the day an American

Private A. B. Searth. Waterloo and July 16, the day an American function streets.

MISSING

Private Harry Atlas, 467 North Sixoth street.

Private L. H. Crabiree, 3703 Baring and Allied advance in the Marne salient. A brother of Lieutenant Felchter, Corprivate A. D'Alessandre, 824 South lighth street.

ported a few days ago.

In a letter to a brother of Lieuvenant
Herman Sloan, of Merchantville, N. J.,
who was reported a prisoner in Germany
last week, Lieutenant Feichter told how Company K. 109th Infantry, went "ever the top" in the counter-attack. The let-ter follows:

Wrote from Hospital Cot

"I am taking a few minutes to write you, while lying in bed with a high-ex-plosive wound in my left shoulder. Old N. G. P., in June, 1916. He served through the Mexican border campaign, and when the regiment returned to Philadelphia he stuck with the colors, being in the company ordered to Silver Lake, Pa., near Pittsburgh, for guard through the property of July and returned to my company. Herman (Lieutenant Sloan) was sent to another (Lieutenant Sloan) was sent to another (Lieutenant Sloan) was sent to another the property of July.

sent to Camp Hancock and was turned might of the 14th the Germans made a captain Kernaghan commanding. The lifth "went over" in May of this year. them across the River Marne and are still driving them on. Company K went over the top at noon July 16. "We had very few killed. I have not heard whether Herman was wounded or experience I have gained during made prisoner. I understand my brother

was killed. The boys went over in fine order, I am proud to say. As soon as I was wounded I turned my orders over Private Harry Atlas, reported missing, fixed with his mother. Mrs. Arna about 400 yards ducking shells and manual distances at 447 North Sixth street. He was drafted last fail, trained at Camp terated very fine by the Red Cross." Letters received by the parents of tw

> They were Sergeant E. T. White and Private Howard L. Matthews. Sergeant White lived with his grand parents at 203 North Second street Darby. Private Matthews lived with hi-parents at 40 Cherry street, and following his enlistment was assigned

Company I, 109th Regiment. Camden Boy Wounded

Private Leslie H. Crabtree, reported missing, was drafted April 6 this year, and sent to Camp Meade. He made such rapid progress that when twenty-five men were needed to fill a company in the 199th Infantry, to be sent to France in May, young Crabtree was among those chosen.

Private Leslie H. Crabtree, reported years now in the sandlew, twenty years old, 1238 Mechanic street, Camberly worked a year and the country of the country. He conserve was horn in this country. He formerly worked with the Evansen & Levering worked with the Evansen & Levering the country. He was only twenty-three years old ben, but made up his mind to earn remotion, and shortly after landing in

promotion, and shortly after landing in France, passed an examination. He lived with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James A. Crabtree, 3703 Baring street, and was a graduate of the Northeast High School, where he played on the haseball, football and basketball teams. He was also an expert amateur sailor, and won many cups with his father's yacht, the Sunbeam, at Cape May. At National Army men to pass through lantic City and Ocean City.

in the 308th Regiment of this division, which was attached to the Second Army Corps, under Major General Robert L. Bullard. Brigaded with this division in that corps is the Twenty-eighth Divi-sion, of the former National Guard regi-ments from Pennsylvania.

Ambulance Driver First

Captain Mills obtained his first war experience driving an ambulance in France before this country was a bel-ligerent. About the time the American Congress declared that a state of war existed with Germany he returned hom Ready For "Big Push"

"Prisoners tipped us off that the big camp. From there he was sent to Camp Upton. He had been in France since

April.

The captain was a Harvard graduate and of St. Paul's School at Concord.
N. H. He was an all-around athlete and in his college days played on the Harvard football team. He was thirty

five years old. Captain Paul Denckla Mills, brother, is in France. Another brother, Frederick F. Mills, lives in New York.

War Profiteers Hit Public Hard

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war profiteering has been given Congress recently in compliance with a resolution requesting it. In citing certain industries or com-

wounded. We figure everybody has a chance.

"Last night one of our big shells hit a German ammunition dump. The noise was like nothing you ever heard or could imagine. It was stupendous. A while ago an American battery got a bridge that the Germans had built during the night, drawn up tight against some trees and camouflaged so they hoped it would get by. They meant to drop it

years, while others made barely enough to pay justified dividends. With few exceptions, manufacturers of clothing and shoes reported big profits, This was true of most concerns holding Covernment contracts. Scores of incom reports from suit, shirt, underclothing manufacturers showed earning and shoe manufacturers showed earnings of from 30 to 100 per cent, in invested capital. Lumber production, stimulated by the sudden enormous demand from canton-ments and other Government operations

notted forest and sawmill owners as well as distributors profits several times above normal years.

Big Profits in Mining

Despite high cost of labor and other factors entering into mining, the Treasury Department analysis shows that very few iron, copper or alumium mines failed to make tremendous profits for their owners under the Government policy of stimulating production. Automobile and motor truck manu-facturing was highly profitable, some making as high as 5 oper cent on invest-

ments and others less than 10 per cent Hend Food Profiteers Meat packers, flour millers and canners apparently stood at the top of the list of food profit-takers, according to in-come returns. Farmers also made money heavily last year, but not enough of their returns have been analyzed to jus-tify a general statement of their profits

Profitering was by no cans confined to big business interests. Small scale producers in thousands of cases reported profits equal to the aggregate from five to ten years's earnings before the United States entered the war.

Names Not Divulged

More than 300 clerks of the Interna Revenue Bureau have been employed in tabulating income returns for the last six weeks, and transmitting these in weekly or bi-weekly installments to the Senate, where the reports now are be-ing prepared for examination by the Senate Finance Committee in connection with its consideration of the new reve-

Names of individual companies at not reported, since htese, by law, must be considered confidential unless the President specifically authorizes publica-tion of tax returns. WANAMAKER'S

Store Opens at 10

Store Closes at 4.30

WANAMAKER!

A Clearaway of All Summer Apparel for Women in the Down Stairs Store



Big Savings on All Sorts of Summer Dresses

Reduced to \$5

Gingham frocks in plaids, checks and stripes.

Striped and figured voile dresses. Voiles in plain colors. Sizes 16 to 52 in the group.

Reduced to \$6

Cotton crepe in plain colors or embroidered in white and trimmed with organdie. Embroidered white voile frocks trim-

med with lace.

Reduced to \$8.75, \$10 and \$13.50 Pretty white net frocks in many models, showing an attractive use of cording, frills and ruffles. Some have double-tier skirts and all have satin

Reduced to \$6.75 and \$7.50 All-white frocks of voile, tucked or embroidered in white or color. Orig-

inally double these prices. Reduced to \$9.75, \$12.50 and \$15 Sixty taffeta frocks in navy, black and light colors and a few of foulard. They are trimmed with satin, with beading or with braiding. The collars of some are slightly mussed.

Reduced to \$13.50

White taffeta frocks. Flesh-pink crepe de chine shirtwaist

Figured foulards and striped tub-silk Women's Suits-Many Can Be Worn for

Early Autumn

broidered pique collars.

Reduced to \$5 and \$7.50 Linen suits in plain colors and stripes. Linene suits in plain colors with em-

Reduced to \$15

· Youthful tweed suits, splendid for school wear. The jackets are lined with peau de cygne.

Reduced to \$25

Navy blue and black cloth suits of serge and fine wool poplin. Sizes 16 to 52 in the group.

Women's Top-Coats and Capes

Reduced to \$3.75

A few natural linen dust coats.

Reduced to \$7.50, \$10 and \$15

Taffeta or silk poplin coats; some half lined or full lined, and in navy or black. Some were twice these prices. Serge, poplin or wool velour capes with figured silk linings suitable for young women. These are \$10.

Reduced to \$23.75 and \$29.75

Long navy blue and black capes of mannish serge handsomely lined throughout with gay silks.

Women's White Tub Skirts

Reduced to \$2.75 Two styles in white ramie skirts and one in gabardine.

Reduced to \$2 Skirts of white rep and gabardine in

several styles. Reduced to \$3.50

A great variety of plain and fancy pique and gabardine skirts, which were much higher in price.

No Household Seems

to Have Enough

Turkish Towels in

Summer

Comfortable additions to the

supply can be chosen from this

excellent assortment of bath

towels. They are plain or show

colored borders and all are

spongy, soft and absorbent. 25c.

For the Kitchen

for dish or roller towels is 20c a

Red-checked glass toweling, 17

inches wide, is 22c to 40c a yard. years at \$15.75.

inches wide, is 20c yard.

Heavy half-linen crash toweling

30c, 35c and up to 60c each.

SPECIAL-Dimity, 25c a Yard

Tiny checked dimity and dotted swiss that has dots of various sizes are both 27 inch-

(Central

es wide.

SPECIAL— Bird's-eye, \$1.50 a Piece

Each piece is 10 yards long, and the bird's-eye is 20 inches

SPECIAL-Fine Nainsook \$2.75 a Piece

Sheer nainsook that is fine enough for the baby's little frocks is 36 inches wide and 10 yards long. (Central)

Women's Brown **Kidskin Ties** at \$3.40 Have Many Admirers The value is really unusual and

women have been quick to appreciate it. The Oxford ties are quite plain, but with excellent lines, and have turned soles and White Leather

Pumps, \$4

and have long slender lines that women pronounce very graceful.

They look much like buckskin

They have turned soles and covered heels.

As White as the Snow That Isn't Here and just as refreshing to think

about are the new undermuslins of the better grades with their cool froth of lace and their soft silken texture of mercerized batiste. Elaborate Chemises

Most of them are made in empire style with beautiful designs of insertion set in. The back and front of each chemise are trimmed almost alike, and designs of

insertion go about the bottom, as well. \$3.

They are lovely with the loveli-ness of good Valenciennes lace and insertion and fine material.

Three Lovely Nightrobes On some, the entire top is of insertion and lace, while others are quite simply made with tucking and embroidered swiss set in Another is made in empire style with the points meeting over the

Lace Plays Its Part

well in the flounces of white nainsook petticoats and the result is quite pretty. Underlays give the proper fullness at the bot-tom. \$2.25. Short Petticoats, 85c The top is shaped to do away with superfluous fullness, and a tape allows each one to fit itself

Curtain Grace

to the waist. An embroidery flounce adorns the bottom.

(Central)

is well displayed in curtains of scrim or marquisette. You can choose either white or cream color in several curtains trimmed in various ways. Scrim curtains are \$1.25 and \$1.50 a pair.

Marquisette curtains are \$1.50 and \$1.85 a pair. (Cheatnut

reduced to \$7.50. \$8.75 and \$11.75, and there is still a hot month of wear ahead of them. A man shouldn't hesitate a moment. (Gallery, Market)

MEN'S Cool Cloth

Suits are now

Simple Blouses of White at \$1.25

Sometimes they are called semitailored blouses, as this seems best to express their simplicity. The materials are plain and striped voiles, generally with contrasting collars of white material. Here and there a little lace or embroidery is used, but always in the simplest ways.

Middies for Vacationers

In all white there is a twill middy with three rows of braid on the collar at \$1.25. Quite plain is another middy

of galatea with a black tie; it is

Earrings Pearl-like earrings are

50c and 75c a pair.

mounted on gold-plated backs.



Junior Coats and Suits at Clearance Prices

Norfolk suits of black-andwhite checks are youthful and very becoming. The one sketched has box pleats and a separate collar of white pique. Sizes 12 to 16 years. \$11.75. Other youth-

Silk Coats Are Reduced to \$9.75 to \$15

ful suits reduced to \$15 to \$20.

They are of taffeta and silk poplin, some lined throughout and others half lined. In sizes **New Regulation Dresses**

for the Approaching

School Days

They are of sturdy dark blue serge with a deep collar and three rows of snowy braid, and are box pleated from a shoulder yoke. There is an embroidered emblem on the sleeve and the silk ties are All-linen crash toweling, 17 in black or red. Sizes 10 to 14

There's a Vast Difference Between These Rug Prices and Those for Fall

We are having a pretty good demonstration of this right now by comparing the new arrivals for Autumn with these rugs. Wise people won't let such an opportunity as this slip by. All are standard qualities, absolutely perfect as to color, weave and pattern-no seconds. The prices probably won't be duplicated for a long time.

> Velvet and Wilton Welvet Rugs 8.3x10.6 fcet, \$30 9x12 feet, \$32.50 47.50

Wilton Rugs

Special

Hit-or-miss designs in pretty colorings mark these new Shakai rag rugs that have just arrived. They measure 30x60

Axminster Rugs 8.3x10.6 feet, \$26.50 to \$42.50 9x12 feet, \$27.50 to \$55

8.3x10.6 feet, \$45 to \$72.50 9x12 feet, \$57.50 to \$77.50

inches and are \$2 each.